

CIA Names Chretien To Say 'No Comment'

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The Central Intelligence Agency yesterday put a new man on the job to say "No comment."

He is Paul M. Chretien, whose job up to now has been to brief diplomats, military attaches and other Government officials. He succeeds Col. Stanley J. Grogan, the "no comment" man to the press during the 1950s for releases of the late Walter Bedell Smith and Allen W. Dulles as well as the present director, John A. McCone. Grogan, 73, suffered a heart attack in August and is about to retire. Although considerably past retirement age, McCone kept him on because he felt he had been doing such a fine job, CIA officials said. The job is called assistant to the director but it is the nearest thing CIA has ever had to a public relations man and official spokesman.